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1. [] Received a call from Mr. Bill Berry, INR, asking if we had received a recent query from Senator Stuart Symington (D., Mo.) for information on all intelligence information agreements and arrangements with foreign countries. I said we had not to my knowledge, and Berry said he would LDX a copy of the query which they had received and in responding to it would like our contribution.

After receiving the copy of Senator Symington's letter, and consulting with Mr. Houston, I called Berry back to say that the questions raised in the letter involve some rather serious matters of the protection of sources and methods and probably of executive privilege, and we would hope that neither State nor any other recipients would attempt to reply unilaterally. I emphasized the importance that all members of the community keep in step and coordinate their replies, probably through the LIG. Berry said he appreciated this and the only response State had in mind was a completely noncommittal one.



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3. [] Colonel Ray Singer, of the Joint Staff, Department of Defense, called to coordinate a draft statement releasing information about the financing of CORDS in Vietnam. I referred him to Chief/FE.

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OSD and DOS review(s) completed.

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4. [] Mr. Phil Trimble, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, was shown a study of the SS-9 Triple Reentry Vehicle System prepared by [] and was furnished a copy of the summary and conclusions. Mr. David Brandwein, FMSAC, briefed Mr. Trimble to clarify the study. This information was background for Senator Edmund Muskie (D., Maine) in connection with the Arms Control, International Law and Organization Subcommittee which he chairs. Mr. Trimble was advised as to the proper safeguarding of the information and for its use only within the context of business of the Subcommittee.

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5. [] Mr. Robert Loftus, in the office of Representative Joseph Minish (D., N.J.), called requesting assistance to locate [] to notify her of the death of her mother. According to the information given to Mr. Loftus by the family,

[] was with her husband, [] 25X1
After conducting appropriate internal checks with negative results, Mr. Loftus was advised that this Agency had no record of []
It was suggested that he check with the State Department.

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6. [] Harry Symmes, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, called to say that John Marks, on Senator Clifford Case's (R., N.J.) staff, had been back at State reminding them that the Senator expects to hear from the Director regarding press allegations that the Agency is running deep penetration operations into southern China. I told Symmes we had not overlooked this, but the Director had just returned from an extended visit and we would take care of this soon.

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7. [] Drew Mason, Administrative Assistant to Senator Henry Bellmon (R., Okla.), wanted to know whether former Oklahoma Governor Dewey Bartlett, now a candidate for the Senate seat being vacated by Senator Fred Harris (D., Okla.), could receive a "threat" briefing from the Agency. I explained we were reluctant to provide briefings to candidates and suggested that such a briefing could best be obtained from the Defense Department. Mason accepted this without protest.

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8. [] After checking with the Acting DDI on the procedure followed in a similar situation in 1969, I called Larry McHugh, on the staff of the Joint Economic Committee, concerning the JEC's request to have the Director appear at an open Committee session next month to testify on the Soviet economy. I advised McHugh of Senator Proxmire's call to the Director, the Director's consultation with Senator Stennis, and our understanding of the latter's contact with Senator Proxmire on the subject with the ultimate understanding that the Director would not testify but that the Agency would cooperate by assisting the State Department in the preparation of testimony on the subject. McHugh was not aware of any of these contacts and thanked me for advising him. I indicated that if there were any further questions to let me know.

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9. [] Checked with Ralph Preston and Austin Smith, of the House Appropriations Committee staff, on arrangements for tomorrow's budget hearing.

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10. [] At their request I gave copies of the pocketbook edition of the "Pentagon Papers" to Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, and to Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff.

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12. [] Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, called and asked if we could be available to brief Senator Stennis and Senator Margaret Chase Smith on the Agency's budget tomorrow morning. I told Braswell that the Director and all of our budget people would be attending a budget hearing with the House Appropriations Committee tomorrow, making the session with the Senators impossible. I emphasized, however, that we were not only willing but anxious to brief Senator Smith on the Agency's budget since she had been unable to attend the budget hearing with the Senate Appropriations Intelligence Operations Subcommittee. Braswell said he would explain the problem to Senator Stennis and added that he would probably ask us to do this sometime before the end of the week.

Braswell suggested that we be marshaling our arguments against S. 2224, Senator Cooper's bill to require the Agency to transmit to the Congress intelligence information and the Agency's analysis of it. We discussed the impact of this legislation at some length, but Braswell suggested that we wait until we had had further contact with the Committee before we submitted views on the bill.

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